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FM AMEMBASSY ISLAMABAD

TO SECSTATE WASHDC PRIORITY 8271

INFO AMEMBASSY KABUL

AMCONSUL KARACHI

AMCONSUL LAHORE

AMCONSUL PESHAWAR

UNCLAS ISLAMABAD 0132

E.O. 11652: N/A

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SUBJ: VISIT OF OPIC PRESIDENT MAYS

REFS: (A) STATE 680 B. ISLAMABAD 0097 C. STATE 1481

1. EMBASSY PREFERS REVISED TRAVEL SCHEDULE FOR OPIC PRESIDENT MARSHALL T. MAYS GIVEN IN REF C. SUGGEST CHANGE HOWEVER, IN TRAVEL WITHIN PAKISTAN TO PERMIT MEETINGS IN KARACHI AND LAHORE EXPLAINED IN REF B. PK 324 IS INDIRECT KARACHI-ISLAMABAD ROUTING VIA QUETTA. SUGGEST CONGEN KARACHI COULD ARRANGE MEETINGS IN KARACHI FEB.4. MAYS COULD TAKE PK 306 DEPARTING KARACHI 1930 HOURS FEB. 4 ARRIVING LAHORE 2105 HRS.

2. LAHORE COULD ARRANGE VISIT TO HERCULES FERTILIZER FACILITY MORNING FEB. 5 AND CALLS ON OFFICIAL/BUSINESS COMMUNITY THAT AFTERNOON. THERE ARE TWO WEDNESDAY EVENING FLIGHTS FROM LAHORE TO ISLAMABAD DEPARTING AT 1900 AND 2200 HOURS FOR 45-MINUTE FLIGHT.

3. THIS SCHEDULE WOULD LEAVE THURSDAY, FRIDAY MORNING AND PERHAPS SATURDAY MORNING FOR CALLS ON GOP OFFICIALS. EMBASSY BELIEVES THIS SUFFICIENT FOR THE CALLS MAYS WOULD WANT TO MAKE.

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4. FROM EMBASSY ISLAMABAD SIDE THERE IS NO DIFFICULTY IN

EMBASSIES ISLAMABAD AND KABUL ARRANGING SURFACE TRANSPORTATION
FOR ONWARD TRAVEL PROPOSED IN REF C ON FEB. 8 OR 9.

ALTERNATIVES FROM ISLAMABAD TO PESHAWAR ARE THREE AND ONE-
HALF HOURS BY AUTOMOBILE WITH LITTLE OF SPECIAL INTEREST
TO SEE ENROUTE OR 45-MINUTE PLANE RIDE AVAILABLE SEVERAL
TIMES EACH DAY. IF MAYS PREFERS TO TRAVEL TO PESHAWAR
BY ROAD, WE SUGGEST OVERNIGHT FEB. 8 THERE. ROAD
TRAVEL ISLAMABAD-KABUL ENTAILS TEN HOURS OR MORE. IF
KABUL HAS VEHICLE AVAILABLE WE COULD COORDINATE MEETING
AT CONSULATE PESHAWAR OR AT EITHER BORDER POST. IF NOT,
EMBASSY COULD ARRANGE RENTAL VEHICLE WHICH WOULD COST
APPROXIMATELY US DOLS65 FROM PESHAWAR TO KABUL.

5. MAYS AND MORGAN INVITED TO STAY IN ISLAMABAD
AT AMBASSADOR'S GUEST HOUSE.
BYROADE

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